From: Daniel Skinner
To: Lorena Parada
Subject: Wildfire Victims Trust

Date: Wednesday, November 29, 2023 8:18:36 AM

Attachments: Mutual Made Whole Release.pdf

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CAUTION - EXTERNAL:

I am a victim of the 2018 Camp Fire. We were recently given papers to sign in order to receiveour settlement that we have to sign away our right to sue "Released Parties" and further states that we will also pay their defense and any settlement if they do get sued. If we dont sign these papers we won't be able to get our payments. What's the point of signing this if it just means our money will just be given over to the people who have been mismanaging and getting insane salaries out of our money? It says if they incur fines we pay it, doesn't seem limited. Could be fines related to mismanagement of the FVT, could be parking tickets as far as I can tell. Seems to be an in perpetuity agreement. How is this in any way acceptable??

Is this really what was intended when this settlement was reached? I have to indemnify the people running, and who ran the trust from any future lawsuits? They are allowed to withhold our agreed to settlement unless I agree to this for me, my wife, and our children?

I have had a lot of issues with the way this whole settlement went down and what we were forced to agree to but I cannot in good conscience agree to protect Cathy Yanni and all other "Released Parties" in order to get money they have agreed to pay already.

I am attaching the documents the Trust wants us to sign and the email from my lawyer saying if we dont sign we will not receive further payments. I would hope the Judge would be able to look at this and see the mess that has arisen from the bankruptcy settlement and see how much it is hurting us and help in some way. Possibly just even putting out a statement that this wasnt what was supposed to happen. Anything to help us, it is 5 years later and we still arent made close to whole and to even get closer to whole we are supposed to agree to protect people who have taken advantage of us, dragging this process out while lining their pockets.

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CLAIMANT RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE FIRE VICTIM TRUST AWARDS

To receive payment of an Award (as defined below) from the PG&E Fire Victim Trust (the "Trust"), an eligible Claimant must execute and submit to the Trustee (as defined below) this Release and Indemnification (the "Release"). This Release must be signed by the Claimant or the Claimant's Legal Representative (as defined below). A signature by an attorney for the Claimant or by an attorney for the Claimant's Legal Representative is not sufficient.

If you need assistance, please contact the Claims Administrator by email at info@firevictimtrust.com or by phone toll-free at 1 (888) 664-1152. You may also visit the Fire Victim Trust Website for additional information.

DEFINITIONS

The definitions set forth above for the terms "Trust" and "Release" are specifically incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth in this section.

All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meaning ascribed to them in the Chapter 11 Plan (as defined below).

- "2015 Insurance Policies" means any insurance policy issued to any of the Debtors or under which the Debtors have sought or may seek coverage for the 2015 policy year.
- "2015 Insurance Rights" means any and all rights, titles, privileges, interests, claims, demands, or entitlements of the Debtors to resolve any claims related to Fires under the 2015 Insurance Policies, other than the rights of the Debtors to be reimbursed for claims submitted to and paid by the Debtors prior to January 29, 2019.
- "Award" means the compensation a Claimant receives on behalf of the Claimant's Fire Claim.
- "Bankruptcy Court" means the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California San Francisco Division, having subject matter jurisdiction over the Chapter 11 Cases and, to the extent of any reference withdrawal made under section 157(d) of title 28 of the United States Code, the District Court.
- "Channeling Injunction" means the permanent injunction provided for in Section 10.7 of the Chapter 11 Plan with respect to Fire Victim Claims that was issued pursuant to, and included in, the order confirming the Chapter 11 Plan.
- "Chapter 11 Cases" means the jointly administered cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code commenced by the Debtors on the Petition Date in the Bankruptcy Court and currently styled In re PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Bankruptcy Case No. 19-30088 (DM) (Lead Case) (Jointly Administered).

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- "Chapter 11 Plan" means the Debtors' and Shareholder Proponents' Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization Dated March 16, 2020, filed in the Chapter 11 Cases and confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court.
- "Claim" or "Claims" has the meaning set forth in section A of this Release.
- "Claimant" means a Fire Victim who (i) has timely filed a proof of claim in the Chapter 11 Cases, (ii) has had his or her Claim channeled to the Trust for evaluation, resolution, and payment pursuant to the Plan and the Channeling Injunction; and (iii) who is signing and executing this Release (or on whose behalf this Release is being signed and executed by a Legal Representative).
- "Claimant Insurance Company" means any insurance company that issued or allegedly issued a Claimant Insurance Policy.
- "Claimant Insurance Policy" means any insurance policy that was issued or allegedly issued that does or may afford the Claimant rights, benefits, indemnity, or insurance coverage with respect to any claims and that has been assigned to the Trustee by Claimant and accepted by the Trustee pursuant to Section 2.6(c) of the Trust Agreement.
- "Claimant Insurance Rights" means any and all rights, titles, privileges, interests, claims, demands, or entitlements of the Claimant to any proceeds, payments, benefits, causes of action, choses in action, defense or indemnity arising under or attributable to any and all Claimant Insurance Policies, now existing or hereafter arising, accrued or unaccrued, liquidated or unliquidated, matured or unmatured, disputed or undisputed, fixed or contingent.
- "Claims Questionnaire" means the claims questionnaire and supporting documents required by the CRP in support of Fire Victim Claims.
- "CRP" means the Fire Victim Claims Resolution Procedures for the resolution, liquidation, and payment of Fire Victim Claims by the Trust, substantially in the form included in the Plan Supplement filed in the Chapter 11 Cases on May 1, 2020 and as may be amended and supplemented thereafter from time to time.
- "**Debtors**" means PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company, the debtors and debtors-in-possession in the Chapter 11 cases.
- "District Court" means the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, having jurisdiction in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- "Fires" means the Butte Fire (2015), the North Bay Fires (2017) (consisting of the following fires: LaPorte, McCourtney, Lobo, Honey, Redwood/Potter Valley, Sulphur, Cherokee, 37, Blue, Pocket, Atlas, Cascade, Nuns, Adobe, Norrbom, Pressley, Partrick, Pythian/Oakmont, Maacama, Tubbs, Point, and Sullivan) and the Camp Fire (2018).
- "Fire Victim" means a person or entity damaged, or who purports to have been damaged, in various ways by the Fires.

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- "Fire Victim Claim" means any claim against the Debtors in any way arising out of the Fires that was channeled to the Trust by the Channeling Injunction and the Plan.
- "Governmental Payor" means any federal, state, or other governmental body, agency, department, plan, program, or entity that administers, funds, pays, contracts for, or provides medical items, services, and/or prescription drugs, including, but not limited to, the Medicare Program, the Medicaid Program, Tricare, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Department of Indian Health Services.
- "Legal Representative" means a personal representative, guardian, conservator, parent (on behalf of a minor), executor of an estate or a similar representative who has been appointed by a court (including the Special Master) or has other legal authorization to file a proof of claim and/or a Fire Victim Claim on behalf of the Claimant.
- "Lien" or "Liens" means (i) any statutory lien of a Governmental Payor or Medicare Part C or Part D Program sponsor, or (ii) any mortgage, lien, pledge, charge, security interest, or legal encumbrance, of any nature whatsoever, held by any Other Payer or Provider, where there is a legal obligation to withhold payment of an Award, or some portion thereof, to a Claimant under applicable federal or state law or for the Claimant to reimburse the Government Payor, Other Payer or Provider for amounts paid on the Claimant's behalf in connection with the Claimant's Fire Victim Claims.
- "Lien Resolution Administrator" means that person or entity, retained by the Trustee to resolve Medicare Program Part A and B liens, Medicaid Program liens, and Medicare Part C Program liens, using the information provided by the Claimant in the Claims Questionnaire.
- "Medicaid Program" means the federal program administered by the states under which certain medical items, services, and/or prescription drugs are furnished to Medicaid beneficiaries under Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1396-1, *et seq*.
- "Medicare Part C or Part D Program" means the program(s) under which Medicare Advantage, Medicare cost, and Medicare health care prepayment plan benefits and Medicare Part D prescription drug plan benefits are administered by private entities that contract with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS").
- "Medicare Program" means the Medicare Parts A and B federal program administered by CMS under which certain medical items, services, and/or prescription drugs are furnished to Medicare beneficiaries under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1395, et seq.
- "Released Parties" means the Trust, the Trustee, Delaware Trustee, TOC, Claims Administrator, Special Master and each of their respective predecessors, successors, assigns, assignors, representatives, members, officers, employees, agents, consultants, lawyers, advisors, professionals, trustees, insurers, beneficiaries, administrators, and any natural, legal, or juridical person or entity acting on behalf of or having liability in respect of the Trust, the Trustee, Delaware Trustee, TOC, Claims Administrator or Special Master.

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"Retention Orders" means the Order Granting Application of The Official Committee of Tort Claimants Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 1103 and 363 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2014 and 5002 to Retain and Employ Hon. John K. Trotter (Ret.) as Trustee *Nunc Pro Tunc* to January 13, 2020 [Docket No. 6760] and the Order Granting Application of The Official Committee of Tort Claimants Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 1103 and 363 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2014 and 5002 to Retain and Employ Cathy Yanni as Claims Administrator *Nunc Pro Tunc* to January 13, 2020 [Docket No. 6759], entered by the Bankruptcy Court on April 14, 2020 in the Chapter 11 Cases.

"Special Master" means the special master appointed by the Superior Court of California for the County of San Francisco to approve any and all minors' compromises in conjunction with the evaluation, disallowance, resolution, settlement, and approval of any and all Fire Victim Claims in accordance with the CRP.

"TOC" means the members of Trust Oversight Committee appointed by the Consenting Fire Claimant Professionals and the Tort Claimants Committee to oversee the Trust in accordance with the Chapter 11 Plan and the Trust Agreement.

"Trust Agreement" means the PG&E Fire Victim Trust Agreement dated as of July 1, 2020, substantially in the form included in the Plan Supplement filed in the Chapter 11 Cases on May 1, 2020.

"**Trustee**" means Hon. John K. Trotter (Ret.) or any other person appointed to serve as trustee under and in accordance with the Trust Agreement.

RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION

A. In consideration of the benefit of an Award from the Trust, I, on my own behalf and on behalf of my respective predecessors, successors, assigns, assignors, representatives, attorneys, agents, trustees, insurers, heirs, next of kin, estates, beneficiaries, executors, administrators, and any natural, legal, or juridical person or entity to the extent he, she, or it is entitled to assert any claim on my behalf, including, but not limited to, a Legal Representative, (hereafter "I", "My" or "Me"), do hereby voluntarily, intentionally, knowingly, absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably waive, release, remit, acquit, forever discharge, covenant not to sue, and hold harmless the Released Parties from and with respect to any and all claims, including, but not limited to, all claims as defined in section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code, charges, complaints, demands, obligations, causes of action, losses, expenses, suits, awards, promises, agreements, rights to payment, right to any equitable remedy, rights of any contribution, indemnification, reimbursement, subrogation or similar rights, demands, debts, liabilities, express or implied contracts, obligations of payment of performances, rights of offset or recoupment, costs, expenses, attorneys' and other professional fees and expenses, compensation or other relief, and liabilities of any nature whatsoever whether present or future, known or unknown, matured or unmatured, suspected or unsuspected, liquidated or unliquidated, absolute or contingent, direct or derivative and whether based on contract, tort, statutory, or other legal or equitable theory of recovery (collectively, "Released Claims") arising from, relating to, resulting from or in any way connected to, in whole or in part, the discharge of the Released Parties' duties and responsibilities under the Retention Orders, the Trust Agreement, including any agreement, document, instrument or certification contemplated by the Trust Agreement, the CRP, the Chapter 11 Plan, the formulation, preparation,

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negotiation, execution or consummation of the Trust Agreement, the CRP and the Chapter 11 Plan, and any and all other orders of the District Court or Bankruptcy Court relating to the Released Parties and/or their duties and responsibilities, from the beginning of time through the execution date of this Release. I covenant and agree that I will honor the release as set forth in the preceding sentence and, further, that I will not (i) institute a lawsuit or other action based upon, arising out of, or relating to any Released Claim released hereby, (ii) participate, assist, or cooperate in any such action, or (iii) encourage, assist and/or solicit any third party to institute any such action.

- B. I hereby acknowledge that pursuant to the Chapter 11 Plan, the Channeling Injunction and the order confirming the Chapter 11 Plan, the Debtors have been fully and completely discharged and the Debtors and their respective property and successors and assigns have been released from any and all liability arising from or related to any Fire Victim Claim asserted.
- C. I hereby acknowledge that I am solely and ultimately responsible for the satisfaction and discharge of all Liens. I shall use best efforts to resolve all known Liens.
- D. Notwithstanding my responsibilities to resolve all known Liens, I hereby authorize the Lien Resolution Administrator to resolve any and all Medicare Program liens, Medicaid Program liens, and Medicare Part C Program liens, as set forth in the definition of Lien Resolution Administrator above. The Lien Resolution Administrator shall use best efforts to resolve the Medicare Program liens, Medicaid Program liens, and Medicare Part C Program liens on my behalf.
- E. In further consideration of the benefit of an Award, I do hereby release, forever discharge, hold harmless, and covenant not to sue the Released Parties from any and all Claims arising from, relating to, resulting from or in any way connected to, in whole or in part, any act, or failure to act, of the Lien Resolution Administrator. I covenant and agree that I will honor the release as set forth in the preceding sentence and, further, that I will not (i) institute a lawsuit or other action based upon, arising out of, or relating to any Claim released hereby, (ii) participate, assist, or cooperate in any such action, or (iii) encourage, assist and/or solicit any third party to institute any such action.
- F. I hereby acknowledge and agree that to the extent my information is incorrect or incomplete to any substantial degree, after reasonable diligence by the Lien Resolution Administrator, which results in the Lien Resolution Administrator being unable to properly verify coverage or identify Liens for which the Lien Resolution Administrator is responsible, then the Lien Resolution Administrator shall have no further responsibility for such unknown/unresolved Liens.
- G. In further consideration of the benefit of an Award, I shall indemnify and forever hold harmless, and pay all final judgments, damages, costs, expenses, fines, penalties, interest, multipliers, or liabilities in whatsoever nature, including the costs of defense and attorneys' fees of, the Released Parties against any and all Claims.

¹ A SUBSEQUENT RELEASE OR ANNEX TO THE ORIGINAL RELEASE WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE EXECUTED BY THE CLAIMANT AT THE TIME OF EACH DISTRIBUTION, RELEASING THE RELEASED PARTIES FROM THE DATE OF THE LAST RELEASE THROUGH THE DATE OF EACH SUBSEQUENT RELEASE.



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- H. I, as assignor, hereby irrevocably and unconditionally transfer and assign to the Trust, as assignee, any and all rights to pursue and release 2015 Insurance Rights for my Claim for the full amount of the liability that either of the Debtors may have or have had for my Claim.
 - I. [Reserved]
- J. I acknowledge that the Trust is not providing any tax advice with regard to the receipt of the Award or any component thereof, and I understand and agree that I shall be solely responsible for compliance with all tax laws with respect to the Award, to the extent applicable.
- K. If I am awarded compensation for any loss of consortium or bystander claims, I acknowledge and agree that all beneficiaries of such claims (each, a "Beneficiary") must execute and be bound by this Release. Each Beneficiary waives all rights and interests in those indirect or third-party claims and is barred from the assertion of those indirect or third-party claims in the tort system or otherwise.

Claimant or Legal Representative Printed Name:	
Claimant or Legal Representative Signature:	
Signature Date:	

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Re: Zayde and Zeth

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Emily Levin PLC <elevin@levinlawgroupplc.com>

Wed, Nov 29, 2023 at 7:16 AM

To: Daniel Skinner <daniel.skinner85@gmail.com>
Cc: Sarah Hall <swhall@levinlawgroupplc.com>

Daniel -

That is the form that has been adopted by the FVT after having worked with plaintiffs' counsel and has been uniformly applied across all claimants.

The bottom line is that, if you don't sign, the FVT will not release the final payment.

The requirement was a part of the bankruptcy plan that was adopted and, while I do agree that it is not ideal that they are only releasing the form and publishing the requirement now, it is, nonetheless, a requisite for any additional payments.

Hope you and the family are well -

Best,
Emily S. Levin
Managing Attorney



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On Tue, Nov 28, 2023 at 6:30 PM Daniel Skinner <daniel.skinner85@gmail.com> wrote:

Are you guys actually advising us to sign this thing? Am I wrong in interpreting this as protecting Yanni?? (Paragraph D of the mutual made whole release)

You said it was sent but im not seeing any actual legal advice about the document.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 1, 2023, at 1:03 PM, Emily Levin PLC <elevin@levinlawgroupplc.com> wrote:

Hi Daniel

No, the money is still with the FVT where it will remain until the dollar amount to fund the structure is finalized - which again, we don't expect until first quarter of next year.

Best,
Emily S. Levin
Managing Attorney



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MUTUAL MADE WHOLE RELEASE

The terms "Claimant" and "Insurer," are defined in Paragraph G. below.

Cathy Yanni, Trustee of the Fire Victim Trust, the undersigned party or personal representative (referred to herein as "Claimant"), individually and on behalf of the estate of the Claimant, and the Insurer (collectively, the "Parties" or "Releasees") agree as follows:

- A. Whereas, the Debtors' and Shareholder Proponents' Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization dated June 19, 2020 (the "**Plan**"), was confirmed by an order of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California entered on June 20, 2020, and the Plan became effective on July 1, 2020.
- B. Whereas the Plan provides for the treatment of all allowed Fire Victim Claims (as defined in the Plan) against the Debtors through the Fire Victim Trust (as defined in the Plan) and for the discharge of the Debtors from any further or other liability on account of all Fire Victim Claims.
- C. Whereas the Plan provides for the treatment of all allowed Subrogation Wildfire Claims (as defined in the Plan) against the Debtors through the Subrogation Wildfire Trust (as defined in the Plan) and for the discharge of the Debtors from any further or other liability on account of all Subrogation Wildfire Claims.
- D. Whereas, the Plan provides that the Fire Victim Claims are administered by a Fire Victim Trust and a Fire Victim Trustee who operates independent from the Debtors, holders of the Fire Subrogation Claims, and the Insurer. Neither the Debtors, holders of the Fire Subrogation Claims, nor the Insurer shall have any right to participate in the administration of the Fire Victim Trust, review any allocation or distribution decision of the Trustee or Trust Oversight Committee, including that of the Claimant, or make any claim for money against the Trust or the Trustee in any way or at any time.
- E. Whereas, the Trustee and Fire Victim Trust Oversight Committee have reviewed and advised the Claimant of (a) the total amount paid into the Fire Victim Trust available for compensation to the Fire Victims, (b) the total number of claims made against the Fire Victim Trust, (c) the process by which trust funds will be allocated and distributed, and (d) the total allocated amount from the Fire Victim Trust to the Claimant ("**Total Allocation Award**").
 - F. Whereas, the Claimant has reviewed the Total Allocation Award.
- G. Whereas, the Plan provides the Claimant and the Insurer execute a mutual limited release after the Claimant has reviewed the Total Allocation Award wherein the Claimant agrees to release only their claim against the Insurer under the Made Whole Doctrine (see Paragraph 1) and no other claim, cause of action, defense or remedy against the Insurer, and the Insurer agrees to release the Claimant as described herein in Paragraph 3. For the purpose of this Release, "Claimant" includes the Claimant's heirs, legal representatives,

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successor or assigns and "**Insurer**" includes the Claimants' insurance carriers, their past and present holders of insurance subrogation claims against the Debtors (and their direct and indirect assignors or assignees), and each of their directors, officers, agents, consultants, financial advisers, employees, attorneys, predecessors, successors and assigns.

- H. Whereas, nothing in this Release is an affirmation, representation, or an acknowledgment that the Claimant has in fact been fully compensated for their damages covered by the contract of insurance between the Insurer and the Claimant. The parties agree that Court's approval of the Plan and the Claimants' acceptance of the Total Allocation Award does not establish that the Claimant has been fully compensated under California law for their compensable damages as a result of the fire to the extent those damages are covered by insurance.
- I. Whereas, the Insurer has agreed to the terms, provisions, and agreements of this Mutual Release in a separate agreement dated June 22, 2020, affirming, adopting, and attaching a copy of this Mutual Release ("Insurer Adoption Agreement"). This Mutual Release is conditioned upon the Insurer, or the Insurer's successor on behalf of the Insurer, filing in the Chapter 11 case the Insurer Adoption Agreement, which states the Insurer releases, as to the Made Whole Doctrine only, each Claimant who signs and agrees to the terms of this Mutual Release. The terms, provisions, and agreements of the Insurer Adoption Agreement are incorporated herein by reference. Insurer's consent and agreement to the terms, provisions, and agreements of this Mutual Release shall be effective upon the signature of the Claimant.
- J. Whereas, this release is not required for the Trustee to allocate and distribute preliminary awards to individuals on a case by case basis for humanitarian or urgent needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration for the agreements described in this Release and other good and valuable consideration, the Claimant and the Insurer agree as follows:

- 1. By accepting the Total Allocation Award, the Claimant hereby waives and releases their rights, known or unknown, to assert the Made Whole Doctrine against the Insurer. Claimant is not waiving or releasing any other claim, cause of action, defense, or remedy against Insurer. Also, by signing this agreement, the Claimant is not agreeing as a factual matter that the Claimant has been fully compensated for each and every category of their damages under California law.
- 2. The Claimant is not releasing any claims the Claimant may have against the Insurer other than the Claimant's foregoing waiver set forth in Paragraph 1. The Parties to this Release further agree and acknowledge that the Claimant is <u>not</u> releasing any claims, except and only to the extent set forth above, they might have against the Insurer, including but not limited to those claims or causes of action related to: (1) the policy of insurance and what is still owed or to be paid under the policy terms and conditions; (2) the right to pursue claims already made or to make new or continued claims under the policy; (3) claims handling issues; (4) delay in paying claims under the policy; (5) inadequate or untimely communication relating to the claim; (6) unreasonable positions taken relating to coverage, payment of the claim, acknowledging coverage, or day-to-day claims decisions; (7) actions or inactions of insurance agents or brokers in underwriting, securing, adjusting, calculating or recommending coverage; (8) coverage issues over policy language;

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- (9) any action for bad faith or breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing; (10) any claims to reform or modify the terms of any policy; (11) any rights to recover damages for breach of contract or tort (including punitive damages), penalties or equitable relief; (12) any claims of violations of statutory or regulatory obligations; or (13) any claim for unfair business acts or practices.
- 3. The Insurer agrees to release and waive any right to make claim for any amount paid to the Claimant pursuant to the Fire Victim Trust or to assert as a defense, offset or reduction, the money paid to the Claimant from the Fire Victim Trust, which belongs solely to the Claimant. The Claimant agrees to make no claim on the money paid to the Insurer from the Subrogation Wildfire Trust. In agreeing to this limited release, Insurer is not releasing any claim, cause of action, defense, or remedy it may have against the Claimant other than Claimant's foregoing release of any Made Whole Doctrine claim.
- 4. The Insurer is not releasing any claims the Insurer may have against Claimant other than the Insurer's foregoing waiver set forth in Paragraph 3. The Parties to this Release further agree and acknowledge that the Insurer is <u>not</u> releasing any claims, except and only to the extent set forth above, it might have against the Claimant, including but not limited to those claims related to: (1) the policy of insurance and what is still owed or to be paid under the policy terms and conditions; (2) defenses to garden variety claims handling issues unrelated to the Made Whole Doctrine; (3) defenses related to delay in paying claims under the policy; (4) defenses to alleged inadequate or untimely communication relating to the claim; (5) defenses to alleged unreasonable positions taken relating to coverage, payment of the claim, acknowledging coverage, or day-to-day claims decisions; (6) defenses to actions or inactions of insurance agents or brokers in securing coverage; (7) coverage issues over policy language unrelated to Made Whole Doctrine; or (8) defenses to any common law action for bad faith unrelated to Made Whole Doctrine.
- 5. The Insurer further agrees that the Total Allocation Award shall not be the subject of discovery or mentioned in any pleadings in any state or federal court action or admissible in evidence in any state or federal court action for any of the causes of action or claims for relief identified in Paragraphs 2 or 4. Claimant agrees that the amount paid to Insurer from the Subrogation Wildfire Trust shall not be the subject of discovery or mentioned in any pleadings in any state or federal court action or admissible in evidence in any state or federal court action.
- 6. To the extent that the Claimant brings a claim for breach of contract, wrongful denial of coverage and/or bad faith against the Insurer, the Insurer shall not assert in any way or at any time that the Claimant should have or could have pursued that claim against the Debtors, the Fire Victim Trust, or any other party. The Insurer agrees that that it will not assert in any action or proceeding covered under Paragraph 2 or 4 that the Claimant has been compensated as a result of the Claimant's settlement with the Debtors.
- 7. Both the Claimant and the Insurer agree that this Release gives the parties released the status of third-party beneficiary of the Release, and such Releasess may enforce this Release and any rights or remedies set forth herein.

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- This Release contains the entire agreement between the parties as to the subject matter hereof and is effective immediately upon signing. Likewise, the release in Paragraph 1 is effective immediately upon signing. If there is a conflict between this Release and any other prior or contemporaneous agreement between the parties concerning the subject matter of the Release, the Release controls.
- 9. The law of the State of California shall govern the interpretation of this Release. The Bankruptcy Court has jurisdiction to resolve any disputes under this agreement.
- 10. Each Releasor states that he, she, or it is of legal age, with no mental disability of any kind, is fully and completely competent, and is duly authorized to execute this Release on Releasor's own behalf. Releasor further states that this Release has been explained to Releasor and that Releasor knows the contents as well as the effect thereof. Releasor further acknowledges that Releasor executed this Release after consulting with Releasor's attorney or the opportunity to consult with an attorney.
- 11. For avoidance of doubt, the Made Whole Doctrine is described herein. Subrogation is a doctrine that permits an insurance company, or its assignees, to assert the rights and remedies of an insured against a third-party tortfeasor. The Made Whole Doctrine is a common law exception to insurer's right of subrogation. The Made Whole Doctrine, under certain circumstances, could preclude an insurer from recovering any third-party funds unless and until the insured has been made whole for the loss. Both the Claimant and Insurer agree that this Release does not modify, abrogate or affect any prior release or waiver between the Parties arising from the Fire.
- Consistent with the foregoing, it is expressly understood and agreed by 12. Claimant that Claimant is waiving and releasing all known or unknown claims under the Made Whole Doctrine. It is expressly understood and agreed by Insurer that Insurer is waiving and releasing all known or unknown claims under the Made Whole Doctrine as to Claimant.

Claimant or Legal Representative Printed Name:	
Claimant or Legal Representative Signature:	
Signature Date:	

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